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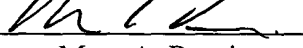
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This is a request for filing a

☒ Continuation      ☐ Divisional

application of pending prior application Serial No. 09/719,663 filed May 18, 2001

for [Title]:    LINEAR MOTOR

by [Inventors]: Shinichiro KAWANO of Osaka, JAPAN;  
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1.    ☒    A copy of the prior application is attached including Declaration.
2.    ☒    Cancel in this application original claims 1 - 27 of prior application before calculating the filing fee.
3.    ☒    Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
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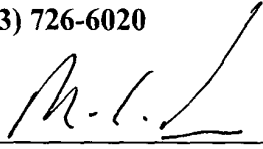
4. ☒ New ☒ Formal ☐ Informal drawings are enclosed:  
Fig(s) 1(a) - 19.
5. ☒ Priority of foreign application(s) No. PCT/JP00/02382 filed 4/12/00 in JAPAN is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
6. ☒ A certified copy was filed in prior application No.09/719,663.
7. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. , the assigned was recorded at Reel 011840 , Frame 0857.
8. ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.
9. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
10. ☒ It is requested that the prior art made of record in the prior application 09/719,663 be cited and made of record in the present application.
11. ☐ Small entity status was established in the parent application via a verified statement filed on \_\_\_\_\_
12. ☒ Fees calculated based on claims filed in prior application, less any claims canceled above or by preliminary amendment.

	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee	\$750.00
Total Claims	25	20	= 5	x \$ 18.00	= \$ 90.00
Independent Claims	6	3	= 3	x \$ 84.00	= 252.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)				+ \$280.00	= <u>0.00</u>
				Total	\$1,092.00
Reduction by 1/2 for filing Small Entity					<u>0.00</u>

TOTAL ENCLOSED FEE      \$1,092.00

13. ☒ THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE THE ABOVE FEES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 1,092.00 AND ANY OTHER FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 18-2056.
14. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 18-2056: any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17; and any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims.
15. ☒ A power of attorney was filed in the prior application to Marc A. Rossi, Registration No. 31,923:
- ☒ a. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
  - ☐ b. Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
  - ☒ c. Address all future communications to

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